Walled Lake Consolidated Schools

INVITATION TO BID Walled Lake Consolidated Schools Fiber Expansion

The Walled Lake Consolidated School District (WLCS) will accept sealed proposals at the Educational Services Center (ESC) 850 Ladd Road, Building D, Walled Lake, MI 48390, for the following technology project: Walled Lake Consolidated Schools Outdoor Education Center (OEC) Fiber Network Expansion. This bid has two categories – Part I (New fiber cable extension to OEC from Commerce Road and South Commerce Road); PART II (Fiber verification, testing, and splicing of dark fibers from E.S.C to Commerce Road and South Commerce Road. The RFP will be available from the District's Technology Designer beginning **September 7**, **2005**, and will be distributed electronically. RFP's can be requested electronically from www.childs.com by CLICKING HERE. Bid documents are also available by UPS or Federal Express, COD or Receiver Account number, and by pick up at the following address (Please call, fax, or e-mail to make arrangements.):

Childs Consulting Associates, Inc.

Telephone (248) 569-2355
29516 Southfield Road, Suite 100

Fax (248) 569-2232
Southfield, MI 48076

Email: rfpinfo@childs.com

www.childs.com

The RFP states the requirements of a reviewable response. Among the requirements are: a compliance form and a base bid cost summary form. Faxed or e-mail proposals will NOT be accepted. All bidders must indicate compliance with a design and installation schedule based on the installation timeline provided in this RFP. All bidders must submit unit pricing for all components of the system and all integration and installation labor. A prebid meeting will be held at the Walled Lake Consolidated Schools Outdoor Education Center, 3577 Sleeth Court, Commerce Township, MI on **September 14, 2005, at 1:00PM.** Site visits of the buildings involved in the project will be conducted after the pre-bid RFP review meeting.

Each bidder shall submit with his/her proposal either a bid bond or a certified check equal to five percent (5%) of the total base bid amount payable to the Walled Lake Consolidated School District. Upon awarding of the work, the successful contractor(s) must obtain a Performance, Labor, and Materials Payment Bond for any project exceeding \$50,000. The PLM Bond shall be in an amount equal to the contract amount. The Bond shall be solely for the protection of the Walled Lake Consolidated Schools. A surety company authorized to do business in the State of Michigan shall execute the Performance and Payment Bond.

All bids must be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement (form In RFP) disclosing any familial relationship existing between the owner or any employees of the bidder and any member of the school board, intermediate school board, or board of directors or the superintendent of the school district, intermediate superintendent of the intermediate school district, or chief executive officer of the public school academy. Any bids that do not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement shall not be accepted.

The Walled Lake Consolidated School District will receive sealed proposals for the above project at:

Walled Lake Consolidated Schools Educational Service Center 850 Ladd Road, Building D, Walled Lake, MI 48390 Attention: Marilyn Smith

Four (4) copies of a sealed bid, four (4) electronic copies (on MS Excel and/or Word), bid bond/certified check and notarized familial relationship statement (are required in the submission.

Mark the outer bid envelope: Walled Lake Consolidated Schools Outdoor Education Center Fiber Network Expansion

Bids are due **September 27, 2005 at 2:00 PM** (local time). No electronic bids (fax or email) will be accepted. The results will be publicly opened and read immediately following this time. The Walled Lake Consolidated School District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, to waive any informality therein, or to award the contract to other than the lowest bidder, whichever is in the best interest of Walled Lake Consolidated Schools.

Bids received after the stated due date and time will be returned to vendors unopened.

For downloadable response forms, please go to the web site of Childs Consulting Associates, the District's Technology Designer (www.childs.com/forms).